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SUBJECT: TURKEY: REPORT ON PKK VIOLENCE

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¶1. (SBU) This is another in a series of periodic reports on PKK violence in Turkey (see reftels). Our primary sources for these reports are mainstream Turkish press services, such as the Anatolian News Agency, and international wire services. While these sources are more reliable than most Turkish press sources, they are not necessarily unimpeachable. Press services sympathetic to the PKK, such as Neu-Isenburg People's Defense Forces and Firat News Agency, tend to report higher numbers of Turkish Security Forces casualties.

¶2. (U) According to press reports, one member of the Turkish Security Forces was killed over the period July 3 - July 9. One civilian was killed and one civilian was wounded in separate terrorist incidents. One PKK terrorist was killed during a clash with Turkish forces during te same period.

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